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TAGS: ENRG, BENC, BEXP, MX

SUBJECT: PEMEX PICKS CONTRACTORS FOR GAS PIPELINE

1. ACCORDING TO A WELL PLACED INDUSTRY SOURCE, PEMEX HAS ISSUED LETTERS OF INTENT TO SIX MEXICAN CONTRACTORS TO BUILD SECTIONS (SPREADS) OF CACTUS-REYNOSA GAS PIPELINE. AS EXPECTED, PROTEXA WON THE LARGEST SHARE, 400 KMS OF PIPE AND 17 RIVER CROSSINGS.

2. SPREADS OF ABOUT 300-350 KMS WERE GIVEN TO AN ICA-BECHTEL CONSORTIUM AND TO ANOTHER MEXICAN FIRM HEADED BY PATRICIO MORPHY. (EMBASSY HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE NAME OF MORPHY'S FIRM OR WHETHER IT IS AFFILIATED WITH A FOREIGN PARTNER.)

3. THREE SMALLER FIRMS HAVE BEEN CHOSEN TO BUILD SPREADS OF ABOUT 100-125 KMS EACH. SOURCE DID NOT KNOW COMPANIES' NAMES.

4. PROTEXA WILL PROBABLY BUY THE EQUIPMENT IT NEEDS FOR CONSTRUCTION. OTHER COMPANIES MAY TRY TO LEASE. LUCEY  
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